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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment for the above referenced application, please accept the following compliant preliminary amendments in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121.

Please amend claims 1, 2, 10, 11, 15, 17, 25 and 30 as follows. The marked changes are shown on Appendix A attached hereto.

1. A laminating device for providing a reinforced region of material supply web, comprising:

a primary feeding mechanism cooperating with a primary supply web for advancing a predetermined length of the primary supply web;

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